

Lexington Conservatory Theatre  
presents

Oakley Hall III's

## GRINDER'S STAND

Directed by Peter H. Clough

Set & Costume Design by Leslie Taylor      Lighting Design by Dale F. Jordan

### DRAMATIS PERSONAE

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| FREDERICK BATES, Secretary, Upper Louisiana Territory . . . . .  | MICHAEL J. HUME       |
| WILLIAM CLARK, Brigadier-General, Militia . . . . .              | RED SUTTON            |
| MERIWEATHER LEWIS, Governor, Upper Louisiana Territory . . . . . | COURT MILLER          |
| PERNIA, Servant to Lewis. . . . .                                | EDGAR A. MULLINS, JR. |
| ROBERT SMITH. . . . .  | RICHARD ZOBEL         |
| MAJOR GILBERT RUSSELL, Commander, Fort Pickering. . . . .        | RICHARD COUNCIL       |
| MAJOR JAMES NEELLY, Indian Agent. . . . .                        | BRUCE BOUCHARD        |
| MRS. GRINDER, Proprietor, Grinder's Stand : . . . . .            | SOFIA LANDON          |

### SUMMER and AUTUMN, 1809

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| I,i     | St. Louis, Offices of the Government of Upper Louisiana Territory - September 3, afternoon |
| I,ii    | River Bank, St. Louis - September 4, dawn  |
| I,iii   | On board the boat - September 14, evening  |
| I,iv    | Dock, Fort Pickering - September 15, evening   |
| I,v     | Fort Pickering - September 16, morning   |
| I,vi    | St. Louis - September 23, afternoon  |
| I,vii   | Fort Pickering - September 24, morning   |
| I,viii  | Fort Pickering, Tavern - September 24, evening   |
| II,i    | Natchez Trace - September 27, dawn   |
| II,ii   | St. Louis - October 7, afternoon   |
| II,iii  | Dogwood Mudhole - October 9, evening   |
| II,iv   | Near Grinder's Stand - October 10, morning   |
| II,v    | Grinder's Stand - October 10, morning  |
| II,vi   | Grinder's Stand - October 10, evening  |
| II,vii  | Grinder's Stand - October 11, morning  |
| II,viii | St. Louis - October 24, afternoon  |

There will be one fifteen-minute intermission.

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| Production Manager .....         | Karen Wiltshire   |
| Production Stage Manager .....   | Wendy Chapin  |
| Master Electrician .....         | David Filkins   |
| Music .....                      | Michael C. Van Landingham, Richard Zobel & Steven Barney                  |
| Furniture Design .....           | Christopher Fracchiolla   |
| Property Masters .....           | Nancy Nyberg & Christopher Fracchiolla                                    |
| Light Board Operator .....       | George Andoniadis   |
| Production Assistants .....      | Susan Strickler & Matthew Sacks   |
| Set & Costume Construction ..... | The Company   |
| Graphics .....                   | Carol Clement   |
| Photographer .....               | Bonnie Williams   |
| Special Thanks to:               | Natalie Pohrebyska, Joe Valario - American Gothic Antiques,               |
|                                  | Walter Elwood Museum, Red Sutton, Dr. Steven & Jeannie Bock, Schumann's   |
|                                  | Village Pharmacy, Rinaldo's, The President's Wedding, Frank Jolly - WCKL, |
|                                  | State University of New York-Albany, Jacque Gutinger                      |

LCT welcomes the following actors to our company

RICHARD COUNCIL (Russell) received his acting training at A.C.T. in San Francisco, where he later joined the company and appeared as Milo in SLEUTH. His numerous acting credits include appearances with the San Diego and New Jersey Shakespeare Festivals, Stanley Kowalski in A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE at the Guthrie Theatre and Simon in OTHERWISE ENGAGED at the Cincinnati Playhouse. This winter he and his wife and frequent acting partner, Chris Weatherhead, played husband and wife in ANGEL STREET at Cohoes Music Hall, where he also played Jamie in LONG DAY'S JOURNEY INTO NIGHT. On Broadway, Richard replaced Ellis Rabb as Tony Cavendish in THE ROYAL FAMILY and appeared in the R.S.C. production of SHERLOCK HOLMES. Off-Broadway, he appeared in the American Place production of ISADORA DUNCAN SLEEPS WITH THE RUSSIAN NAVY. Television soap opera enthusiasts will recognize Richard as the late Michael Blake in LOVE OF LIFE. GRINDER'S STAND marks his debut with LCT.

RED SUTTON (Clark) is making his professional theatre debut at LCT in GRINDER'S STAND. Born and raised in Windham, Red currently resides in Greenville where he teaches the sixth grade at Greenville Central School. He is widely known in the Capital District for his work in community theatre, which includes such roles as McMurphy in ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST and the title role in MACBETH at Slingerlands Playhouse. He has also appeared on PBS-TV in the AMERICAN SHORT STORY series.

EDGAR A. MULLINS, JR. (Pernia) began his acting career in high school in Brooklyn, New York where he appeared in THE GREAT WHITE HOPE and as Doctor Werner in DOES A TIGER WEAR A NECKTIE. As a theatre major at Brooklyn College, Ed played Art in GOIN' A BUFFALO and performed with Peoples Performing Co., Everyman Company, Black Spectrum Theatre Company and the Negro Ensemble Company. He is currently the assistant manager of the Performing Arts Center at S.U.N.Y.A. in Albany where he also portrayed Don John in the S.U.N.Y.A. Summer Theatre production of MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.

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## LEXINGTON CONSERVATORY THEATRE GALA FESTIVAL

sunday, august 26

This is LCT's opportunity to say good-bye and thank you to our friends and supporters. It is also the major fundraising event of the Lexington season. Join us for a grand buffet of gourmet dishes from your favorite area restaurants, your choice of LCT performances, entertainment, games of chance, an auction, a raffle with over \$500 in fabulous prizes, and disco dancing in the River Theatre. TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED IN THE LOBBY AT INTERMISSION OR IN THE BLUE MOON SALOON AFTER TONIGHT'S SHOW.

### 1979 Season

June 13 - 24      THE COUNTRY WIFE by William Wycherley  
June 27 - July 8      HOT L BALTIMORE by Lanford Wilson  
July 11 - 22      THE PHILANTHROPIST by Christopher Hampton  
July 25 - August 5      MARRIAGE by Nikolai Gogol  
August 8 - 19      THE GOOD WOMAN OF SETZUAN by Bertolt Brecht  
August 22 - September 2      GRINDERS STAND by Oakley Hall III